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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM BROWN

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SUBJ: MY MOVEMENTS

1. I UNDERSTAND FRANK MELOY IS AIMING AT A MAY 6 ARRIVAL
HERE. THAT'S TWO WEEKS AWAY AND TOO LONG.

2. CALL ME BACK FOR A QUICK CONSULTATION. I COULD USE
THIS - AND SO COULD YOU - TO DRAMATIZE OUR CONCERN BOTH
WITH THE GLACIER-LIKE PACE OF POLITICAL MOVEMENT AND
THE CONTINUING MINDLESS VIOLENCE. I WOULD MAKE A FAST
TOUR OF THE PRINCIPAL POLITICAL POWER BLOCS TO MAKE THE
ABOVE POINTS.

3. AS I TOLD LARRY A WHILE AGO, "CONSULTATION" OR
"REPORTING TO THE CHIEF" IS ENTIRELY UNDERSTANDABLE
IN THE ARAB CONTEXT. YOU HAVE ALREADY NOTED THAT
COMMUNICATION AMONG ARAB LEADERS IS BY MESSENGER
AND NEVER BY CABLE.

4. WARING IS QUITE CAPABLE OF RUNNING THE SHOW FOR
A SHORT WHILE. HE IS WELL-INFORMED, RESPECTED BY THE
STAFF, AND COOL.
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